Mountain Weather Forecast

North Grampian

Including North and West Cairngorms National Park, Monadhliath, Ben Alder, Creag Meagaidh, Loch Ericht and Loch Rannoch
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Saturday 27 Feb 2021 until 23:59 on Sunday 28 Feb 2021

Forecast Issued on Friday 26 Feb 2021 at 09:54 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for mostly dry, settled weather over the weekend and into next week with lighter winds on the tops. Lower confidence in day to day cloud details.

Headline for Saturday 27 Feb 2021: Early rain soon clearing. Sunny periods developing. Winds easing on the tops,

Mountain weather hazards on Saturday 27 Feb 2021

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy Snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
Low Likelihood

Severe chill effect
Low Likelihood

Poor visibility
Low Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
No Likelihood

Strong sunlight
Medium Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Cloudy	Light rain	Light rain	Cloudy	Sunny intervals	Sunny	Clear night	Clear night
Precipitation probability							
20%	40%	30%	20%	10%	00%	00%	00%

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Weather: Cloudy first part of the morning with light rain at first, mainly in west, soon dying out. Then brightening up during the morning with plenty of afternoon sunshine. This will produce strong glare from snow fields.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 30% at first, mainly in north and east, improving 90% in the afternoon.

Visibility: Misty conditions for a time during the morning with clouds well down the hills, especially towards Creag Meagaidh and Ben Alder. Visibility becoming very good during morning with clouds mostly lifting and breaking up by the afternoon,

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	39/51 SW	36/47 SW	28/36 SW	25/31 W	19/24 W	18/24 W	16/20 SW	15/19 SW	15/19 SW
900	33/42 SW	29/36 SW	23/29 SW	19/23 SW	15/20 W	13/18 W	14/18 SW	14/18 SW	13/18 SW
600	21/30 SW	18/26 SW	14/21 SW	11/16 SW	11/16 W	10/15 W	9/13 SW	9/13 SW	8/12 SW
300	10/25 SW	10/23 SW	7/18 SW	6/15 SW	9/17 SW	8/16 SW	6/14 SW	6/14 SW	6/14 SW
Glen	7/25 SW	7/25 SW	6/20 SW	5/16 SW	6/16 SW	6/15 SW	5/14 SW	5/15 SW	5/15 SW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	-2/-11	-1/-10	-1/-9	-1/-8	-1/-8	-1/-7	-1/-7	-1/-7	-1/-6
900	2/-5	2/-5	2/-4	2/-4	3/-2	3/-1	2/-2	2/-3	2/-3
600	4/-1	4/-1	4/0	4/1	5/2	6/3	4/1	4/0	3/0
300	6/2	6/2	6/3	6/4	8/6	9/6	6/4	4/2	3/1
Glen	6/3	6/2	6/3	7/5	11/8	12/9	6/4	5/2	4/1
Freezing Level*	1200m	1500m	1400m	1200m	1100m	1100m	1000m	1000m	900m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Risk of gales will be during overnight period, winds gradually easing during the day.

Forecast for Sunday 28 Feb 2021
Weather: It will be a dry and bright day with plenty of sunshine. Any fog patches in the glens at first soon dispersing. Once again there will be strong sun glare from the snow cover.

Maximum wind: Southwesterly winds with average speeds of 20mph and gusts 35mph especially over tops in north of area.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 90%

Visibility: Very good with only a few patches of cloud sitting on the tops.

Temperature: **Glens:** Minus 3 Celsius rising to 9 Celsius.
At 800m: Plus 2 Celsius.
Freezing level: 1100m.

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